

PPC's Ben Long Receives Ethics Officer Award



Benjamin Long, general counsel for the Public Protection Cabinet (PPC), has been named the 2021 Outstanding Ethics Officer by the Executive Branch Ethics Commission. The commission issued the award at its Nov. 18 meeting.

"I'm proud of Ben," said PPC Secretary Ray Perry. "His commitment to ensuring that the cabinet makes all the right moves in serving Kentuckians is an example to be followed by all of us. His personal ethics – honesty, respect of others, fairness, empathy – guide his actions and decision making in his life and on the job."

Since 2015, the annual award program recognizes an individual who serves as a designated Ethics Officer for an executive branch agency for outstanding achievement and contributions in promoting the ethical conduct of employees.

Long receives the award as a champion of ethics policies and his efforts to enforce them. He demonstrates a personal concern for the integrity of the Public Protection Cabinet and its agencies, staff and appointed board members who serve the commonwealth.

A graduate of Transylvania University and the University of Kentucky College of Law, he previously served as executive director of the Office of Consumer Protection for then-Kentucky Attorney General Andy Beshear. He was appointed PPC general counsel in December of 2019.